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Quincy Howe, substituting for John W. Vandercook, December 10, 1959
at 10:00 PM over WABC (N.Y.) and ABC Network:

HOWE: The Journal of the American Medical Association has taken issue with Doctor Leroy E. Burney, Surgeon General of the United States.

"Two weeks ago the Journal carried the report of Doctor Burney describing smoking, especially cigarette smoking, as the main factor in the recent increase of lung cancer.

"The Journal of the American Medical Association now reports that there is not enough evidence to warrant this assumption."

News, at 10:30 PM over WPAT (Paterson, N.J.) December 11, 1959:

The newscaster had just discussed an announcement by New Jersey poultry growers that it will no longer use stilbestrol to fatten their birds.

NEWSCASTER: "On a related subject, lung cancer and smoking, the American Medical Association has commented on the recent statement by the U.S. Surgeon General, which described smoking as the main factor in the increase in lung cancer.

"The A.M.A. Journal says there is insufficient evidence to justify this conclusion, that a number of authorities who have examined the same evidence cited by the Surgeon General don't agree with his conclusion."